

Amendments to the Specification:

Please substitute the title on page 1, line 1, with the following title:

~~JUNCTION ELEMENTS BUILT INTO THE ENDS OF A CONVEYOR BELT~~
CONVEYOR BELT JUNCTION ELEMENT

Page 1, before line 2, please insert:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a junction element built into the ends of a conveyor belt.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 3, before line 23, please insert:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS